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Filed:	February 19, 2002		
Applicant:	Villo Morawala PATELL		
For:	An Isolated Nucleic Acid Sequence Conferring Stress Tolerance/Susceptibility In Rice (As Amended)		

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for an extension of time into the fifth month after the response due date.

The commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite Petition for Extension of Time fee of \$2160.00 to Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

Respectfully submitted,

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